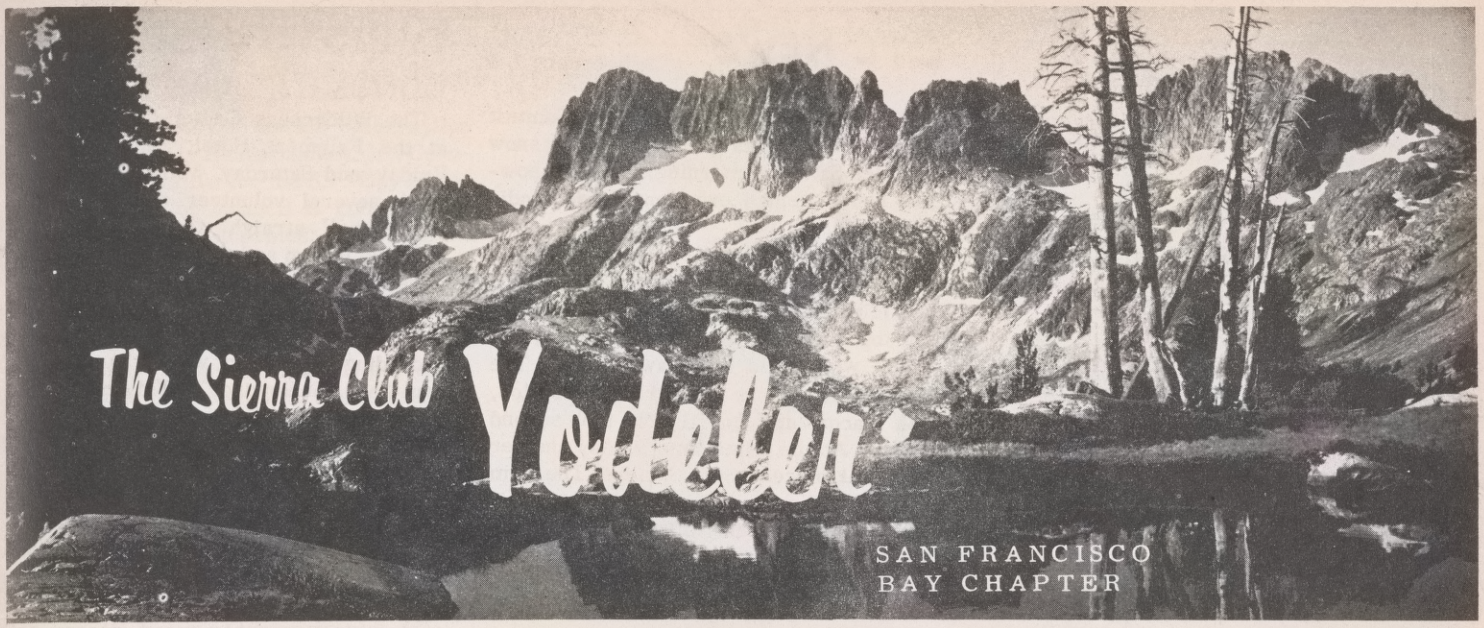

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EMERALD BAY

AND THE LEGISLATURE

A Review and a Call for Action

Forces seeking to push immediate construction of a low level bridge and highway across Emerald Bay and the adjoining D.L. Bliss and Emerald Bay State Parks are active in the current legislature. Attempts to force this construction were defeated at the sessions of 1957 and 1958.

At present the interference with orderly procedure through Highway and Park Commission is embodied in Senate Concurrent Resolution 13, and Senate Bills 146 and 147, all introduced by Senator Berry of Placerville.

The Resolution (not a law, but carrying much influence) was approved by the Committee on Transportation without any hearing and passed by the Senate before opposition could be organized. It is also before the Assembly and may be referred to committee or come up on the floor any time. The other two bills are still pending in the Senate.

What they all do, in brief, is to request, authorize, and appropriate funds (from the investment funds of the State) for the bridge and highway.

The low level route would destroy one of the most beautiful natural scenes in the State, would cut ghastly gouges in miles of the Tahoe shoreline and bisect the state parks, all for the purpose of saving two miles of highway travel. These moves are premature. They would take the matter out of the hands of the Highway Commission and the Park Commission without a thorough study of all alternatives.

Please write to your Senator and Assemblyman if you are interested in preventing such irreparable damage. Write at once, as the Resolution may come up in the Assembly at any moment.

—David C. Dunlap

TAMALPAIS

A cold fog of baffling delay has moved in again on the Tamalpais State Park. After working out a plan for acquisition of the Diaz Ranch and Frank Valley lands, as directed by the State Park Commission, the Division of Beaches and Parks has announced (in a letter to the Sierra Club) that it is probably not possible to buy all this land with $1,100,000 now available. The Division has requested new legislation which will make the appropriation available for purchase of lands north of Steep Ravine. They would like to include Rocky Point and Kent Beach in this purchase. While the Sierra Club favors flexible legislation, it feels that purchase of the Diaz ranch and Frank Valley is of critical importance at this time. A meeting of the State Park Commission will be held in San Francisco on February 20th at which this subject will once again come under discussion. CMC

WILDLIFE FILM TO BE SHOWN ON MARCH 24

The Piedmont Garden Club will be presenting something on March 4th that should be of interest to Sierra Clubbers. Mrs. Laurel Reynolds, nationally known wildlife photographer and lecturer, will show a color movie and give a talk on "The New World Rediscovered", at the Oakland Auditorium at 8:30 p.m. This will be the west coast premiere of the film. Reserved seats are $2.00, unreserved $.90, and all tickets will be available at the Sherman Clay box office. In case you have inhibiting doubts about who gets the money, be assured it will go to conservation and civic beautification.

EXEC. COMMITTEE

The Bay Chapter Executive Committee had their monthly "meeting of the minds" in the Club Offices on Monday, February 9. The group heard that the Board of Directors approved several changes in the By-Laws, which will go before a vote of the membership on the March ballot.

The hot subject of "lost snowshoers" was taken up (with kid gloves) and the chief protagonists were Chairman Ned Robinson, Phyllis Lindley, and Philip Faulconer. Lou Elliott had a few choice words to say on this subject but was absent due to illness. The idea of arranging rescue operations at the time of special need was discussed. Randal Dickey stressed the need for safety education in preparing for trips. Phyllis Lindley represented the snowshoers and stated that the ribbing between skiers and snowshoers is getting a little out of hand and the committee members agreed. The advantage of First Aid Training for leaders was mentioned.

Ivan Tarnowski reported on Conservation Committee activities. Also Cicely Christy and Randy Dickey reported on the subject of the proposed bridge which may be built across the mouth of Emerald Bay. Parker Stack had a few words to say on goings on within his Conservation Education Committee, and Claudia Owen stated that plans were going well for the Club's Annual Dinner to be held at the Village in San Francisco on Saturday, April 25.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Monday, March 9, at Room 1050, Mills Tower, 220 Bush St., 7:30 p.m. All interested members are cordially invited to attend and thereby have a "voice" in the Club's affairs.

—EDB

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Mountain ears Hear

Art's son is going into the hospital February 16 for a major operation and is going to need 15 pints of whole blood. If anyone able to make a donation, it should be credited to Jimmy Benson, UC Hospital, San Francisco.

—Virginia Benson

Virginia, formerly known as McKay, has been active in knapsacking, skiing, river-touring in the club for many years—her many friends are urged to help.

Tena Catena writes of extolling the beauties of our High Sierra as well as the Selkirk area of British Columbia by showing Oliver Kehrlein's slides to Eastern friends—it was a new and magical world to them. Also she says, I look forward to each issue of The Yodeler and want to congratulate you and your staff. You're doing a wonderful job—and making me very nostaligic. Thanks, Tena, it makes us feel good, particularly since we've recently heard from another who took the opposite view of The Yodeler.

Our sympathy to Harold Crowe, director and ex-president, who is in Chicago's Billings Hospital satisfactorily recuperating from a heart attack.

The Yodeler award of a free subscription for write-ups of trips past or present has been taken very literally. We now have accounts of trips in 1893 and 1913. It was crowded out of this issue by more recent news, but maybe soon.....

And congratulations to newlyweds Bob and Jane Allen Jenny.

—HF

For sale: Rubber Pak-Boat, "not surplus" 10 ft. long, used once, cost $230.00. Sell for $150. Phone: HOward 1-5842. Days except Sunday or Monday.

Foldboat for sale: Klepper Aerius "Flagship" with complete sailing rig. Less than a year old and perfect condition. Call FIllmore 6-1633.

CTL NEWS

February 7-8

After a clear week at Donner Summit the weekend guests were greeted with snow flurries Saturday morning. The new powder snow created excellent skiing conditions.

The B.A.S.F. held it's Annual Carnival Saturday evening at Truckee. Four clubs participated with the Viking Ski Club taking top honors. On Sunday the B.A.S.F. races were held at Squaw Valley. The Sierra Club racers Jim and Lottie Nicklos, Ann Macey, and Bob Bearie took second place. At the same time Sunday another race took place at Soda Springs. The team from the Sierra Club was composed of Diane Clayton, Jean White, Archie Taylor, and Alan Maremonte.

After the busy weekend the members left the Lodge as the snow continued to pile up around the Lodge.

—Harriet Tyson

TYPISTS NEEDED

The Wilderness Conference, to be held at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Friday and Saturday, March 20-21, will need several volunteer typists to take "hot copy" straight from the speakers and type it then and there.

No reward but glory, lunch, and the chance to work with an interesting and well known group of speakers. This recording department will be in charge of Ivan Sack, Supervisor of Toiyabe National Forest, assisted by Polly Dyer of the North West Chapter, Grant Morse, Stuart Dole, and Lowell Sumner.

The Conference Secretary, Doris Leonard, says they hope to get enough helpers so that everyone can work short hours and listen in on the conference, too.

If you can volunteer, and handle the work with reasonable speed, please call Mrs. Richard Leonard, LAndscape 4-5508, or the Sierra Club office. Volunteers for the Saturday will be especially welcome.

—CMC

GREEN BELT... a report

The GREEN BELT OF SAN FRANCISCO is a series of steep hillsides and wooded patches across the hilly center of the city. It is still undeveloped, though partly in private ownership, and forms a broken chain of open spaces between the large parks of Golden Gate and McLaren. Ten years ago the city intended to buy it all for a connected riding and hiking trail, but the program has lagged.

Notes taken at the recent meeting of the Chapter Conservation Committee explain the present position in brief: Is the Park and Recreation Commission planning any acquisition? No, only short range capital (established playground) improvement. Are they still acquiring land at McLaren Park under money already appropriated? Yes, they have bought some land for the green belt adjoining the park. Did they refuse to buy part of Sutro Forest recently? Yes. That hillside is now sold to a developer but must be rezoned by the city before construction of apartments. Are the supervisors interested in this? Yes, at least to the extent of holding a hearing on Supervisor Blake's motion to continue addition to city-owned land.

This hearing, on February 11, was attended by a very large group of interested citizens. The storm center, of course, was the refusal to acquire the wooded slope of Sutro Forest near 17th and Stanyan Streets, known as the Montgomery property. The Park and Recreation Commission have stated the area is unsuitable for development for recreation. The citizens of the neighborhood want it acquired and left as it is, a bit of green wilderness in the heart of the city.

Among the speakers, Assemblyman John Busterud remarked that the supervisors should supervise their commissions; in this case Park and Recreation had disregarded priorities which were firmly established in 1956, giving the Montgomery property second rating among several parcels which have been acquired since then. Why was it left out?

He also pointed out that the supposed tax gain to the city would be negligible due to the high cost of providing the apartments with utilities and streets. Mr. Rockwell of the American Institute of Architects spoke of the ugliness resulting from similar development on the west slope of Sutro Forest and criticized the financial dealings which used exactly all the $175,000 (considered ample for five parcels of property) appropriation on three pieces belonging to one owner.

Many other speakers brought out the value of that hillside in its natural state, seen by so many, helping to reduce smog, and of value as the last remnant of the forest Mayor Sutro planted with the help of San Francisco school children. No one opposed the motion. The Park and Recreation Commission, probably knowing they were cast as the villains of the piece, were very busy elsewhere. The meeting ended with the supervisors committee determined to reopen the question of acquisition of the Montgomery property. The basic reason for reluctance of the Commission seems to be their emphasis on the developed, paved playground, type of recreation; buying land just to leave it wild is something they do not understand.

—CMC

Profile in Diminuendo

The subject of this week's "Sierra Club Confidential" is Randal Dickey, Jr., Council Representative for the S.F. Bay Chapter. The Club Council is composed of various Chapter Chairmen. Each Chapter contributes a delegate, which usually has two meetings per year. "Randy" is Chairman of this group, which works on any matter authorized by the Club's Board of Directors. This committee is primarily interested in "Information and Education" and is authorized to recommend on any matter brought to its attention by the Club's Directors. The Club Council was organized to handle the internal affairs of the Sierra Club. "Randy" is also vice-chairman of the Conservation Committee. His primary interests run the whole gamut of club activities, from River Touring, to Winter Sports, High Trips, Knapsacking, and Car Camping. Randal attended the Hastings School of Law in San Francisco, and also the S.F. Law School, where he graduated in 1952. He credits Ed Wayburn as being the first to interest him in Conservation work. Randy served as Chapter Conservation Chairman for two terms. He also has been Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee and Chapter Chairman for two years.

Our subject is a native Alamedan, but recently decided to see what was on the other side of the "tube" and found he liked Oakland so well he moved over 'thar'. Randal served his country with the Army Engineers during World War II, and subsequently pursued his studies at Cal., Stanford, and Oregon State College.

He is a Sierra Club Life member, and considers it the greatest bargain he's ever received. As if all his time and talent given to the Sierra Club is not enough, Randal is Chairman of the National Affairs, By-Laws and Legislation Committee of the Alameda Chamber of Commerce, and also active in Boy Scout work in Alameda. —EDB

From Color to Black & White

It might be of interest to contributors to learn that it is now possible to have Polaroid Land Camera prints of color slides made at $.50 apiece or three (of the same print) for $1., at the Camera Shop, 2011 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley 4. Folks living in the Montclair area of Oakland can find the same service at Steppan's Cameras, 6105 La Salle ave. You can have prints made while you wait about 15 minutes. This should solve the problem of some Sierra Club photographers, who take color shots, and would like to contribute an occasional black and white photo to The Yodeler, but don't want the bother or expense of having a negative and prints (black and white) made from their color slides. —Margaret Gwinn

People Do Hike in the Rain!

Photo by Margaret Gwinn

Report—Hike of Jan 24

"Tired of winter? The blooms are due on the Huckleberry Trail in January". Thus ran the Schedule announcement of the hike for January 24.

Indeed there were blooms to be seen on the Huckleberry Trail. A native manzanita, Arctostaphylos Andersoni, var. pallida was blooming profusely. This manzanita is known only to this very limited area. Another manzanita, A. crustacea, was just beginning to blossom. The large stand of native huckleberry, Vaccinium ovatum, was beginning to show a few blossoms. We also saw the male clusters of flowers on the She-Oak, Garrya elliptica, a plant quite rare in the East Bay. The California laurel, Umbellularia californica, was blossoming even down at eye-level, where the passing hiker could study the flowers. Last year's burrs of the Chinquapin, Castanopsis chrysophylla, were scattered along the trail.

However, I must not ignore the fact that winter, in the form of rain, came upon us ere we set forth upon our hike. As we zig-zagged eerily through the biting cold mists on our approach to Moraga Ridge, we could imagine we were approaching Shangri-la through the freezing snows of the Himalayas.

The nine of us, plus one umbrella, who made the trip, found our Shangri-La in the form of two station wagons we had car-shuttled to the town of Canyon. There, warmed by the car heaters, and under the dripping Redwoods, Sequoia sempervirens, we ate our lunches. All (most of us, anyway) declared the hike well worth it.

—Margaret Gwinn

Kcutter's Knapsack Knotes

I have again stuck my neck out to revise the Sierra Club Outing Equipment Check List. I plan to extend it somewhat to make it useful as a check list for special activities, such as burro trips, knapsacking, river touring, rock climbing, skiing and snow shoeing.

I will appreciate any criticisms of the present list or suggestions for revising and improving it.

It would be very helpful if I could have them before March 2nd, as I have a lot of travelling to do this year.

Also, please be sure and ask your readers not to write me that cheesecloth is no good for towels—I know I know I know I know. I would appreciate, too, having additions to the list of those who specialize in lightweight equipment, particularly if they are not located in the Bay Region.

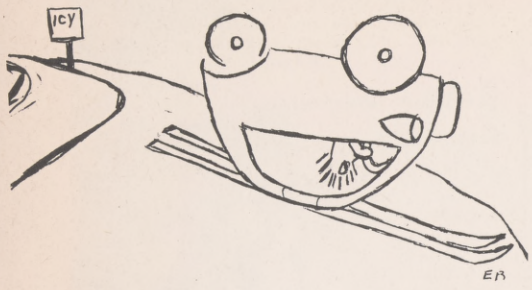
—Robert K. Cutter, M.D.
Fourth & Parker Sts.
Berkeley 10

Anyone For Dancing?

Sierra Club folk-dancers are cordially invited to come join in the merriment at the Tuesday night "Folk-Dancing for Fun" sessions from 8:00 to 10:30 at Whittier School, Berkeley (Lincoln and Milvia Sts., where the East Bay Dinners used to be.)

Bring your own favorite records if you like; and/or expect to pick out your favorite dances from other peoples' record-lists.

No teacher, no fee, no refreshments; but you'll find familiar S. C. and Garfield Folk Dancer faces.



DON'T SKID WITH YOUR SKIS ON YOUR CAR INSTEAD OF ON YOUR FEET

A letter received from Alan S. Hart of the California Highway Patrol giving accident statistics on highways 40 and 50 clearly shows the effect of winter weather on the causes of highway accidents. Recognizing the dangers peculiar to winter driving will help one to be a safer driver and enjoy many more ski seasons.

These statistics show first of all that the accident rate on US 40 doubled in winter from the rate in summer while the rate on US 50 was lower in winter. This is undoubtedly due to the preponderance of winter resorts on US 40.

The statistics also show that speed alone is not as big a factor in winter accidents as it is in the summer. Skidding is by far the major cause. The role that skidding actually plays is seen by the types of accidents that occur in winter. A much greater proportion involved two or more cars, all of which happened while approaching or passing the other vehicles. Following too closely, improper passing and vehicles in the wrong lane were also bigger factors in winter.

These show that a highway covered with snow and ice can at one moment give traction and then suddenly change to a skidding condition. A sudden movement by the driver such as a turn while passing or a touch on the brakes can easily cause the car to skid out of lane or into another car. An unsuspected patch of ice, perhaps due to the shadow of a hill or bridge, can also be very dangerous. Obviously stopping distances on ice and snow even with chains are much greater and more unpredictable than on dry pavement.

The disregard by the travelling public of warning signs and devices causes many accidents involving snow removal equipment. In many cases it is reported that the drivers do not even stop!

Another type of accident frequently occurs wherein snow removal equipment strikes unmarked parked vehicles covered with snow drifts. The owner of any parked vehicle which is in danger of being covered by snow should mark its position with suitable snow poles.

Following is a list of things to be particularly careful of in winter driving:

1. Keep windows clean of fog, frost, ice and snow.
2. Check headlights, windshield wipers, and defroster.
3. Use good tires, and use tire chains.
4. So-called "snow tires" are no substitute for chains.
5. Without tire chains, it takes 3 to 12 times as far to stop in snow or ice.
6. Slower speeds are absolutely necessary in fog, rain, or snow, and on ice- and snow-covered roads.
7. If you skid, keep foot off brake and turn the front wheels in direction that rear wheels are skidding.
8. Beware of accumulating carbon monoxide because of closed windows.

—Robert T. Lewis
Safety Committee for
Sierra Club Council

MOUNTAIN MEMORIES to be featured at FEB. 25 PROGRAM

If you have ever been on a High Trip or ever (and who hasn't?) hoped to go on one, don't miss "Mountain Memories", to be presented at the February 25 East Bay dinner gathering.

Percy and Mary Rihn will show their latest 16mm movie, in which they set out to capture the true spirit of a High Trip as they trekked over Mono Pass and through the Recesses in the summer of 1958.

A special 'bonus' for the evening will emphasize the value of building 'mountain memories'. Arthur Jordan, who hiked in the Sierra with John Muir in the early years of the century, and who has lost none of his enthusiasm for the mountains, will share some of his recollections as a prelude to the pictorial portion of the program.

Dinner will be at 6:30 in the cafeteria of the Willard Junior High School, Telegraph Avenue at Ward Street, in Berkeley. Phone Edna Laumann, THornwall 5-8557, by 10 P.M. February 23 for dinner reservations. For those who can't make it for dinner, the program begins at 7:30.

—Alice M. Abeel

TAVAPUTS

There is a section of the Green River running from Ouray to Green River, Utah a distance of something over 100 miles which few people ever see. Here the river runs through the Tavaputs Indian Country and has cut canyons of unusual beauty and interest deep into the Tavaputs plateau. According to our information this would make a good club trip in 1959. The River Towing Committee would like to hear from those who would enjoy scouting this trip during Easter vacation Mar. 23 to Mar. 29 and who would be able to contribute their skill in writing about or photographing the trip. Don Hatch has agreed to furnish a raft or two depending on the needs of the party and in order to see as many of the side canyons as possible we will use motors.

Interested? Call Lou Elliot, chairman of River Touring Committee. Higate 4-2054 or Olympic 5-3801 evenings.

RIVER TOURING SECTION

Those of you who missed our last meeting certainly lost out on seeing some fine movies of the Owhyhee River, the middle fork of the Salmon River (where we hope to have a scheduled trip this summer), and the Rogue River.

Bob Pruitt, from Grant's Pass and a real River Rat, sold us on the idea of trips down each of these rivers. He runs them each year several times with his McKenzie River boats which carry one passenger plus luggage. The ride through the white waters in one of these boats looks exciting, but the smaller craft such as a kayak would appear to offer more of a challenge. Keep your fingers crossed that the section can work out a trip on the middle fork of the Salmon. Scuttlebutt has it that this is possible—such things as rafts and men to take them down the river appear to be some of the "flies in the ointment."

A private showing of a movie, "Super Mack Makes It" was seen by the River Touring Section after Bob Pruitt's movies. Super Mack (Gordon Bermak) demonstrated the many qualifying techniques necessary for a river tourer to have in order to run rivers successfully. However, whether this was in a kayak, or in the river, or on the shore does not appear to be quite clear. For further information for another showing of the magnificent technique of "Super Mack", contact Bryce Whitmore.

Our next meeting on March 10 is the Annual Boat Show and this is a must for all of our members. The group of members—Bob Hawley, Glenn Gaumer, Red Cockerline and Don Golden—who are making their own boats this season, will have the fruits of their efforts to display. Also Bryce Whitmore has his Slalom fiber glass kayak to show, and Ted Fostiak, a newcomer, will most likely have one of his canvas-covered kayaks. The Pioneer Foldboat will be on display. Other folks who have new and different kayaks are urged to show them. So do come and see the handiwork of our group.

Shortly after the boat show our Spring Training Course will begin. The dates for the pool sessions which are to be held at the Women's Athletic Club in Oakland are March 24, March 31 and April 7. A dry land "lecture" type meeting will be held for beginners at the Oakland YMCA on Telegraph Avenue on the evening of March 17.

—Elinore Ridge

Congratulations, Elinore! This is the winning article in this issue—you get a free year of The Yodeler.

Wha' Happen' ?

What report of what snowshoe trip? What happened? How? Why? Who? When? Why was the story killed after so plainly being scheduled to appear? Is it so gruesome that it can't be told in print? Et cetera.....

At any rate, it's a mighty fine curiosity arouser. —"Baffled"

According to the way we heard it—Lou and Bob Elliott, on skis, were escorting some snowshoer guests. Lou and Bob left the party, according to plan, to get a fire and dinner ready for their guests. The snowshoers got lost and spent the night out, with no ill effects other than the disappointment of huddling by a fire outdoors when they had expected a hot dinner and a warm place to sleep. Since a rescue party had been alerted and ready to go, Lou wrote a report for the club headquarters. This report, never received by The Yodeler, is the one referred to by Ned Robinson in the February 2 issue. —HF

ROBINSON VS SNOWSHOERS

Mr. Robinson didn't specify classification of skier required to accompany snowshoers. I, therefore, submit my application as shepherd or sheep dog. I am a whiz on the uphill slope but by the time I negotiate the downhill the little flock surely would have disappeared over a precipice. I gather from the tenor of Ned's comments, that is about what he has in mind. —Helen Rudy

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

I WISH TO TAKE ISSUE

with the recent letter written by Ned Robinson relative to regulations for snowshoers. Inasmuch as I have been on a pair of skis once and a pair of snowshoes twice in the past 10 years, I believe I qualify as being relatively neutral and non-defensive.....At the risk of being hostile and not very funny, I would like to ask Mr. Robinson just where I can purchase a pair of skis which will give me the most for my money. I judged from the contents of Mr. Robinson's letter that all one had to do is to be mounted on a pair of skis in order to be a person of brilliant genius. Fishmeat and glutamic acid have been tried in the past to increase mental capacity in humans, but it appears that skis will do an even better job. The way I reason it, all I would need to do is to stand on my new skis and be transformed into a mental giant, thereby enabling me to get through the most difficult and trying of tasks. I might even be capable of herding a flock of snowshoers although at the moment I am a completely incompetent skier. —Rosemary Green

SnowShoe Section

GLACIER POINT

Feb. 7-8

Twenty-five snowshoers and a skier (note, Ned Robinson) saw Sentinel Dome, Glacier Point and the High Sierra peaks capped with storm clouds bringing their mantle of snow. Sunshine glistening off clouds rising from the valley floor evoked many happy sounds and an inward sense of joy for the fortunates witnessing this spectacle. And joy of all—no cars and few people. These were the rewards for the tired snowshoers and skier who came to Glacier Point under their own steam. The chill of Saturday snow storm and the freshness of snow flakes against one's face, the first few miles were pleasant, but later.... The warmth of the lodge and good food prepared by the host and hostess at the lodge was welcome. The freshly fallen snow made trail breaking difficult on Sunday. The tracks of the snow cat, coming for the 12 who had paid Curry Co. a slight fee in exchange for luxury transportation, were welcomed by the walkers who finally reached Badger Pass, weary but rewarded. Many thanks to Bob Berges for making the arrangements with Curry Co. and answering innumerable phone calls.

—Margaret Colling

CLASS FOR CLIMBERS

Adolf Bitterlich, Canadian mountain guide, will conduct a climbing camp from July to September. The camp will be located in the Waddington area near Mt. Munday, Mt. Tiedemann and Mt. Waddington.

As a special for beginners, an ice school will be held from July 12th to the 24th.

Complete accomodations will cost $12 per day; longer than 14 days, $10 a day.

For further information address:

P. O. Box 1158
Alberni, B. C.

Wanted: Someone to drive Volkswagon to Aspen—arrive Aspen Feb. 28. I'll pay for gas. Call Jane Leddy evenings, JOrdan 7-2542.

Beginner's Special

A special trip for beginning snowshoers has been scheduled for March 7 at Clair Tappaan Lodge. This way the Snowshoe Committee hopes to make up for the fact that scheduled trips have all been filled with waiting lists for some time.

If you want to give the racquets a try, make your own reservation with the Club office for Clair Tappaan Lodge (the SC chartered bus simplifies your transportation). Meeting time is Saturday, March 7, at 10:00 A.M. in front of CTL. Please do not phone the leader (Phyllis Lindley) unless you need a copy of the information sheet, "Your First Time on Snowshoes".

There will be a short trip Saturday returning to the Lodge for dinner. Pearls of wisdom regarding equipment, clothing, winter travel and safety will be passed out freely. Then Sunday it's up to you to apply your newly acquired skill (no scheduled trip).

This trip is offered to give beginners the experience necessary to qualify for a hut trip (of which there will be another schedule-full next season). We expect to announce a similar arrangement for March 21.

CONDESCEND?

I wonder just how many skiers would "condescend" to go on a snowshoe trip. We learned, however, that skiers are of no help whatever in breaking trail.

—Pauline Lee

PAMPHLET

YOUR FIRST TIME ON SNOWSHOES? is the title of an excellent write-up on equipment, clothing, etc. available from the Snowshoe Section, Bay Chapter, c/o Phyllis Lindley, 646 Santa Barbara Road, Berkeley 7.

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THE MATCHLESS BEAUTY OF

GLEN CANYON - GOING, GOING, GONE!

This is probably our last opportunity to enjoy this unusual river trip. The strange beauty of the side canyons with their grotesque carvings of wind and water and the eerie effects created by towering, overhanging sandstone walls enclosing a seperate world all contribute to the magic and emotional appeal of this adventure !! It is impossible to adequately describe by word or camera the grandure of these canyons, of Rainbow Bridge, the spiritual quality of the Music Temple or the mystery of Hidden Canyon.

A paradise for photographers, Glen Canyon is a deeply eroded passageway full of brilliant colors, fanciful formations, prehistoric Indian ruins, pictographs and lost mines. At Moki Canyon there are steps cut up to the ancient dwellings and at the Crossing of the Fathers one can see the sandstone steps by which the Jesuits decended to these waters. There will be time for leisurely walks in many of these magnificent side canyons during the trip.

If you havent seen the Glen, by all means do so this summer. Other trips will be available for years to come, but this gem will soon be lost forever !!! There will be two trips limited to forty people each.

April 13 to 21 - Leader: Lou Elliott

June 22 to 30 - Leader; Brick Johnson

These trips will fill up fast so get your $6.00 reservation fee into the Club office as soon as possible. Complete details by suplemental announcement later.

Knapsackers' Party!

Who?... Knapsackers old and new
When?... Saturday, March 7th
Where?... OLd Lake Merritt Boathouse, Oakland
How much?.. $1.25
Tickets?... Call Bob Hackamack, Mary and Bob Hamblin or Doug Peterson

Featuring: Dinner at 6:00 PM followed by folk singing, slide showing, description of next summer's trips, folk dancing, and ?!!

ANNUAL DINNER TO FEATURE GREATEST AMERICAN MT. CONQUEST

A member of the American Himalayan expedition that scaled the world's second-highest unclimbed mountain last summer has been selected as the principal speaker at the Sierra Club's Annual Dinner in San Francisco, April 25, the Bay Area chapter has just announced.

Giving an account of the perilous ascent of Hidden Peak (also known as Gasherbrum I), highest mountain ever climbed by Americans, will be "the Sierra Club's own" Bob Swift, young high school teacher from the Bay area.

Only 30 feet lower than Annapurna, the crest of Hidden Peak at 26,470 feet ranks as the eleventh highest mountain top in the world. One of the select group of 13 peaks over 8,000 meters (26,280 ft.) it had resisted the attempts of all previous expeditions. Hidden Peak is the first of these 13 mountains to have been climbed successfully by an American team.

Bob Swift's talk will be illustrated by photographs taken during this historic ascent. Remember the date and place:

Saturday, April 25
The Village, Columbus & Lombard
San Francisco

Tickets for this memorable event will be available soon.